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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to a first office action on the merits of this application, please amend the published PCT specification and claims as follows:

**In the Specification:**

page 1, line 1                    Please delete the word "DESCRIPTION".  
page 1, lines 3 - 8                Please delete the title of the invention and insert instead the following:

-- METHOD AND SUBSTANCE FOR INHIBITING  
REACTION BETWEEN ACTIVATED BLOOD  
COAGULATING FACTOR AND SUBSTRATE --